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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008
(ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION)

Wednesday, December 3, 2008
(Organizational Session)

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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

Our thought for today is from Psalm 65:11: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty."

Let us pray. Father God, as we continue to organize the House for another Session, be our guide in all things that are done here. May these Representatives ever be conscious of doing the right things for the right reason in working for the betterment of our great State. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, and staff and all who serve in these Halls of Government. Protect our defenders of freedom at home and abroad as they protect us. Hear us, O Lord. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

MOTION ADOPTED

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Miss Courtney Ann Harbaugh of Charleston, which was agreed to.

ROLL CALL

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

Agnew	Alexander	Allen
Allison	Anderson	Anthony
Bales	Ballentine	Bannister
Barfield	Battle	Bedingfield
Bingham	Bowen	Bowers
Brady	Branham	Brantley
G. Brown	H. B. Brown	R. Brown
Cato	Chalk	Clemmons

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Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cole
Cooper	Crawford	Daning
Delleney	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrester	Frye
Funderburk	Gambrell	Gilliard
Govan	Haley	Hamilton
Hardwick	Harrell	Harrison
Hart	Harvin	Hearn
Herbkersman	Hiott	Hodges
Horne	Hosey	Howard
Huggins	Jefferson	Jennings
Kelly	Kennedy	King
Kirsh	Knight	Limehouse
Littlejohn	Loftis	Long
Lowe	Lucas	Mack
McEachern	McLeod	Merrill
Miller	Millwood	Mitchell
Moss	Nanney	J. H. Neal
J. M. Neal	Neilson	Ott
Owens	Parker	Parks
Phillips	Pinson	E. H. Pitts
M. A. Pitts	Rice	Sandifer
Scott	Sellers	Simrill
Skelton	D. C. Smith	G. M. Smith
G. R. Smith	J. E. Smith	J. R. Smith
Sottile	Spires	Stavrinakis
Stewart	Stringer	Thompson
Toole	Umphlett	Vick
Viers	Weeks	White
Whitmire	Williams	Willis
Wylie	A. Young	T. Young

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE

I came in after the roll call and was present for the Session on Wednesday, December 3.

Jackson "Seth" Whipper Todd Rutherford
Anne Hutto

Total Present--120

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. EDGE a leave of absence for the day due to surgery.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. GULLICK a leave of absence for the day.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HAYES a leave of absence for the day.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber during the vote on H. 3001, the House Resolution proposing the changes to House Rule 7.2. Had I been present, I would have voted against the Resolution.

Rep. Lester P. Branham, Jr.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber during the vote for members of the Ethics Committee. Had I been present, I would have voted for Rep. Annette Young.

Rep. Ken Kennedy

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The SPEAKER announced the following Standing Committee Appointments:

2009 Committee Assignments

**AGRICULTURE, NAT. RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS**

Paul Agnew	H. Boyd Brown	Chandra Dillard
Jeffrey D. Duncan	Michael Forrester	Marion Frye
Nelson Hardwick	David Hiott	Kenneth Hodges
Patsy Knight	Joseph McEachern	Joseph Millwood
Dennis Moss	Steve Parker	Michael Sottile
Tommy Stringer	David Umphlett, Jr.	Ted Vick

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

Rita Allison	Michael Anthony	Don Bowen
Lester Branham	Robert Brown	Joseph Daning

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Jerry Govan, Jr.	Carl Gullick	Harold Mitchell, Jr.
James M. Neal	Phillip Owens	Edward Pitts, Jr.
B.R. Skelton	Donald C. Smith	James E. Stewart, Jr.
William Whitmire	William Wylie	

ETHICS

Laurie Funderburk	Phillip Lowe	Michael Pitts
William Sandifer	J. Roland Smith	Annette Young

JUDICIARY

Karl Allen	Bruce Bannister	Alan Clemmons
Derham Cole, Jr.	Kristopher Crawford	F. Greg Delleney, Jr.
Laurie Funderburk	Daniel Hamilton	James H. Harrison
George Hearn	Jenny Horne	Douglas Jennings, Jr.
Keith R. Kelly	Walton McLeod	Vida Miller
Wendy Nanney	J. Todd Rutherford	Bakari Sellers
Garry Smith	James E. Smith, Jr.	Leon Stavrinakis
Thad Viers	J. David Weeks	J. Seth Whipper
Thomas R. Young, Jr.		

LABOR, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

Carl Anderson	Dr. Jimmy Bales	Eric Bedingfield
William K. Bowers	Joan Brady	Grady A. Brown
Shannon Erickson	Michael Gambrell	Nikki R. Haley
Chip Huggins	Phillip D. Lowe	David J. Mack III
Olin Phillips	Lewis E. Pinson	William Sandifer III
Timothy Scott	Michael Thompson	McLain R. Toole

MEDICAL, MILITARY, PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Terry Alexander	Nathan Ballentine	Curtis Brantley
Richard Chalk, Jr.	Wendell Gilliard	Anton Gunn
Christopher Hart	Cathy Harvin	Jackie Hayes
Lonnie Hosey	Leon Howard	Joseph Jefferson
John King	Deborah Long	J. Anne Parks
L. Kit Spires	Robert Q. Williams	Mark N. Willis

WAYS AND MEANS

Liston Barfield	James A. Battle, Jr.	Kenneth Bingham
William Clyburn	Gilda Cobb-Hunter	Daniel T. Cooper
Tracy R. Edge	William Herbkersman	Kenneth Kennedy
Herb Kirsh	Harry Limehouse III	Lanny Littlejohn

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Dwight Loftis	James H. Lucas	James H. Merrill
Joseph H. Neal	Denny Neilson	Harry L. Ott, Jr.
Michael Pitts	Rex F. Rice	J. Gary Simrill
G. Murrell Smith, Jr.	J. Roland Smith	W. Brian White
Annette Young		

RULES

Michael Anthony	Joan Brady	Grady Brown
Alan Clemmons	Kristopher Crawford	Jerry Govan, Jr.
William Herbkersman	Dwight Loftis	Joseph Neal
Denny Neilson	Lewis Pinson	Kit Spires
David Umphlett, Jr.	William Whitmire	W. Brian White

INTERSTATE COOPERATION

Joseph Daning	Carl Gullick	Harold Mitchell, Jr.
Donald C. Smith	Ted M. Vick	

INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

Liston Barfield	Don Bowen	Marion Frye
Herb Kirsh	Vida Miller	

OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT

James Bales	David Hiott	Patsy Knight
Lanny Littlejohn	Rex F. Rice	Garry R. Smith
McLain R. Toole		

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk, South Carolina House of Representatives
Post Office Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

The House Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental
Affairs Committee met December 3, 2008 and elected the following
officers:

Committee Chairman - The Honorable Jeffrey D. Duncan
First Vice Chairman - The Honorable C. David Umphlett

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Second Vice Chairman - The Honorable David R. Hiott
Secretary - The Honorable Ted M. Vick

Sincerely,
Van Hegler
Director of Research

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles Reid
Clerk of the SC House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Charles:

The House Education and Public Works Committee met on Wednesday, December 3, 2008, after the House adjourned. The officers of the committee were elected. They are as follows:

Chairman:	Rep. Phillip D. Owens
First Vice Chairman:	Rep. James M. "Jimmy" Neal
Second Vice Chairman:	Rep. Donald C. Smith

Sincerely,
Chairman

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk of the House & Director of Personnel
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

On Tuesday, December 2, 2008, the House Legislative Ethics Committee met immediately upon adjournment of the House and elected the following officers:

J. Roland Smith – Chairman
Annette D. Young – Vice Chairman

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Michael A. Pitts – Secretary
Laurie Slade Funderburk – Treasurer

If you have any questions or need any further information, please call me at 734-3114.

Sincerely,
Adam Anderson
Research Assistant
House Ethics Committee

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk of the House & Director of Personnel
South Carolina House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

The following officers were elected during the Organizational Meeting of the Interstate Cooperation Committee:

Donald C. Smith, Chairman
Ted Vick, 1st Vice Chairman
Harold Mitchell, 2nd Vice Chairman
Carl Gullick, Secretary
Joe Daning, Treasurer

Sincerely,
Sophia Derrick

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles Reid
Clerk of the SC House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Charles:

As requested, below are the elected officials of the House Judiciary Committee for the 2009 session:

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The Hon. Jim Harrison	Chairman
The Hon. Doug Jennings	First Vice-Chairman
The Hon. Garry Smith	Second Vice-Chairman

Sincerely,
Linda Anderson
Judiciary Committee

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The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk, SC House of Representatives
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

The following officers have been elected to the Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee for the 2009-2010 legislative session:

Chairman	Leon Howard
1 st Vice Chairman	Anne Parks
2 nd Vice Chairman	Richard Chalk
3 rd Vice Chairman	Kit Spires
Secretary	Cathy Harvin

Sincerely,
Barbara M. Coleman
Executive Secretary

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk of the House & Director of Personnel
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

The following officers were elected during the Organizational Meeting of the House Operations and Management Committee:

Lanny F. Littlejohn, Chairman
Rex Rice, 1st Vice Chairman
Jimmy Bales, Secretary/Treasurer

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Sincerely,
Sophia Derrick

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk of the House & Director of Personnel
South Carolina House of Representatives
Via Hand Delivery

Dear Mr. Reid:

On Wednesday, December 3, 2008, the House Rules Committee met immediately upon adjournment of the standing committees and elected the following officers:

W. Brian White – Chairman
Alan D. Clemmons – Vice Chairman

If you have any questions or need any further information, please call me at 734-3113.

Sincerely,
Adam Anderson
Research Assistant
House Ethics Committee

December 3, 2008
Mr. Charles F. Reid, Clerk
South Carolina House of Representatives
P. O. Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

Please allow this letter to serve as notice of the officers that were elected during a meeting of the Ways and Means committee this morning.

Chairman – Representative Daniel T. Cooper
First Vice-Chairman – Representative Annette D. Young
Second Vice-Chairman – Representative Rex F. Rice
Third Vice-Chairman – Representative Lanny F. Littlejohn
Secretary-Treasurer – Representative Herb Kirsh

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If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Daniel T. Cooper

December 3, 2008
Mr. Charles F. Reid, Clerk
South Carolina House of Representatives
P. O. Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

On Wednesday, December 3, 2008, the Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee met and elected the following officers:

Rep. William E. Sandifer, Chairman
Rep. Grady Brown, First Vice Chairman
Rep. Mac Toole, Second Vice Chairman

If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Robyn Gainey
LCI Committee

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENT

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

December 3, 2008
The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
South Carolina House of Representatives
320D Blatt Building
Columbia South Carolina 29211

[HJ]

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Dear Nikki:

Effective immediately, you have been appointed to serve on the Educational and Public Works Committee. I know that you will serve this committee with honor and distinction. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to working with you in the coming year as we work to improve the quality of life for all South Carolinians.

Sincerely,
Robert W. Harrell, Jr.
Speaker of the House

Rep. LITTLEJOHN moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:15 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. STAVRINAKIS, adjourned in memory of Miss Courtney Ann Harbaugh of Charleston.
